SENATE BILL SUMMARY

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SB 558
Insurance Coverage for Prescription Drugs
by Senator Fasano

Provides that a health insurance policy or a contract for a health care service plan that covers prescription drugs may not limit, reduce, or deny coverage to a particular insured individual for a drug if, prior to the limitation, reduction, or denial of coverage: the insured was using the drug; the insured was covered under the policy or contract; and the drug was covered under the policy or contract.

Provides that the act does not prohibit an insurer from making uniform changes in its benefit design or increasing cost-sharing obligations for a prescription drug due to an increase in price. (See bill for details)